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## **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Art Unit: 3671

Invention: GRASS COLLECTING APPARATUS AND A LAWN MOWER HAVING SUCH A GRASS COLLECTING APPARATUS

Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment** in the above-identified application.

Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.  
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Total <u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$ 25.00	x \$ 50.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. <u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$100.00	x \$200.00	\$ 0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim/s			+ \$180.00	+ \$360.00	\$ 0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE</b>					\$ 0.00

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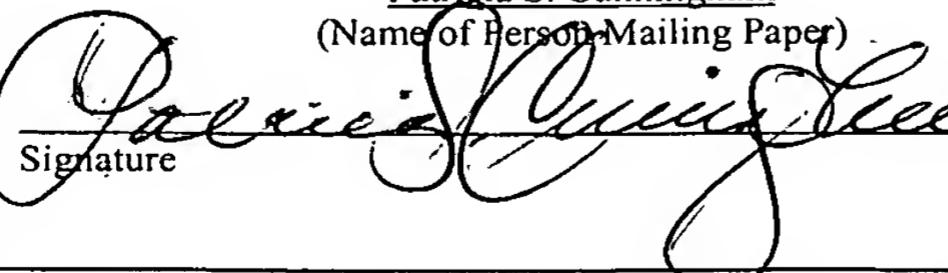
**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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